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Council Talks Immigration, Open Meetings and Pageant

by Diane Oberg

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On September 11, the Greenbelt City Council confirmed the policy behind the draft executive order governing interactions with federal immigration agencies. They looked at whether it sufficiently protects otherwise law-abiding undocumented immigrants, some of whom have children who are U.S. citizens. Council also briefly discussed the absence of the Miss Greenbelt pageant from the Labor Day festivities and the result of an Open Meetings complaint regarding late posting of Advisory Planning Board (APB) minutes.

ICE Requests

After a lengthy discussion, council confirmed the policy underlying the city's General Order regarding "Cooperation with Federal Immigration Agents and Agencies" on a 4 to 2 vote with

Councilmembers Rodney Roberts and Colin Byrd opposed. The Order directs Greenbelt's police officers not to grant U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) requests to detain an individual in their custody unless a judicial warrant (issued by a court) exists or the individual is listed on the Immigration Violator File as a deported felon. Other restrictions include: police should not ask immigration status except in rare circumstances and officers participating in a federal taskforce can assist it only if the primary focus of the investigation does not involve the enforcement of federal civil immigration law.

Councilmember Roberts had initially moved to confirm the policy reflected in the General Order. After hearing several speakers address their fears and concerns, he attempted to withdraw his motion, stating that it was apparent that the community

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Greenbelters Support UMD Child Development Research

by Carrie Hannigan



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Babies sit in their guardians' laps during studies.

Jill Connor's children have participated in approximately 30 studies at the University of Maryland's Infant and Child Studies Program since moving to Greenbelt two years ago. When asked why she continues to enroll in research studies, Connor said, "I love learning. I want my kids to be comfortable with learning and college environments." Connor's mother was a psychology professor, and Connor would visit the classroom as a child and draw

pictures. Her mother used these pictures to teach the class about child development. Connor said she remembers this fondly and wants her kids to have that experience as well.

The Infant and Child Studies Program was founded in 2005 at the University of Maryland to study how children learn and grow. The program has offices in the Linguistics, Psychology, Human Development and Hearing

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ERHS Students Place 15th In National Japan Bowl

by Matthew Arbach

The end of the 2017-18 school year was a whirlwind adventure for Eleanor Roosevelt High School seniors Kainoa Sittman, Maxwell Morris and Dustin Ma. On April 12 and 13, the ERHS Japanese program sent this team to Chevy Chase to participate in the 26th Annual Japan Bowl. The team was also invited to visit Japan, all expenses paid, as part of the Kakehashi Project from July 3 to 11 but only team captain Sittman was able to participate.

The Japan Bowl was created in 1992 by the Japan-America Society of Washington, D.C. According to Sittman, the competition consisted of a language portion and a more general test, which included subjects such as history, social science, geography and the full gamut of Japanese culture. Sittman said that the most intimidating part was a conversation round where participants were made to respond to various questions, including personal goals and physical health. He added that "You can't predict questions. You had to hope for



PHOTO BY KAKEHASHI PROJECT EMPLOYEE

Sittman's Japan Bowl tour group poses in front of the Nagasaki Peace Statue.

the best in general."

This competition was less stressful than his previous year in that he had a better idea of

what to expect. Team study has to be balanced with the rigors of school. Sittman felt better

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Council Debates Draft Economic Plan, Says Yes to Solar and Pay Freeze Letter

by Diane Oberg

At its September 11 regular meeting, the Greenbelt City Council again delayed approval of its draft economic development goals until the next council meeting. Council also adopted an ordinance permitting the city to negotiate the installation of a solar photovoltaic energy system outside of Greenbelt and agreed to send a letter addressing the federal pay freeze. Councilmember Edward Putens was absent, leading to several tie votes.

Economic Development

At the August 13 regular meeting council, in response to comments from the floor, council voted to delay consideration of the draft goals until the next meeting.

At the September council

meeting, Mayor Emmett Jordan began by expressing disappointment that the only comments they had received were via email at around 6 p.m. that day. The city had received comments from Ed Fallon and former councilmember and economic development policy advocate Konrad Herling but several councilmembers had not seen those comments.

Molly Lester said that council did not make clear at the last meeting that it wanted to receive comments in writing in advance. She was expecting council to

take comments during this meeting and only emailed hers.

Jordan expressed his frustration at the posts on Facebook and other social media sites about this proposal with none of the people posting those comments submitting anything to the city. Councilmember Judith Davis shared his frustration. She had seen complaints that the goals document lacked specifics. She noted that such details will come later, after the city hires an economic development staffer. Whatever that person comes up with

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What Goes On

Friday, September 21
7 p.m. Shirley Temple Evening, Old Greenbelt Theatre (see city ad for details.)
Monday, September 24
8 p.m. City Council Meeting, Municipal Building
Wednesday, September 26
7:30 p.m. Council Work-session with Arts Advisory Board on Public Art Policy



PHOTO BY NORA ECKERT

Blake Molter fixes Wesley Patterson Cook's toys at the Greenbelt MakerSpace's Repair Café on Saturday, September 15.

Letters to the Editor

THANKS

The September 6 issue of the News Review is, I think, just smashing in every way, and I’ve needed to tell you so. Keep up the wonderful work!

Barbara Young

Solar Array Will Save Money and the Air

That’s one small step for city council, one giant leap for our environment.

With little fanfare and only brief discussion, city council on Tuesday evening (September 11) passed a motion authorizing a solar energy project that will, once constructed and for the next 15 years, offset about 90% of the electricity used each year in City of Greenbelt facilities. Maintaining over 40 metered accounts, our municipality consumes over 3 million kilowatt-hours (kWh) a year, at a cost of over \$300,000. At present, this electricity is delivered by Pepco; the current fuel mix is around 33% coal, 25% natural gas, 36% nuclear, and 6% renewables (mostly wind). Creating 9/10ths of this energy directly from a solar array will result in reducing the amount of coal burned by over 120 tons each year - that’s coal that is mined, loaded and transported (don’t forget those thousands of gallons of diesel fuel that won’t be needed); this in turn will eliminate tons and tons of carbon dioxide (CO2, a strong greenhouse gas) from being released into the atmosphere. As for natural gas, which in our area is largely sourced from hydraulic fracturing or “fracking,” the new solar project will eliminate the extraction, transport and burning of around 6,750 thousand cubic feet (Mcf) of gas each year; again, this in turn results in a large reduction of CO2 being released into our atmosphere. As for nuclear, it’s hard to quantify the environmental results of reducing electrical generation from an existing nuclear power plant, but don’t let’s get started talking about the still-unsolved problem of what to do with waste nuclear fuel.

The “icing on the cake” is that the project, funded by private industry, requires the city to invest exactly zero money. In fact, the city’s analysis shows that the municipal government will reduce the total cost of electricity by nearly \$1.3 million over the 15-year contract period. The solar

array is to be built, owned and operated by a private company; the city’s obligation is only to purchase the solar-generated electricity (at a reduced rate!).

A “solar task force” formed in the all-volunteer Green Team conceived the project and, with full support of Jim Sterling, Greenbelt’s Director of Public Works, has worked for over three years to bring the project to city council for consideration. Mr. Sterling, along with city staff Brian Kim and Luisa Robles, has been instrumental in helping to develop the project, solicit and analyze proposals, and move forward to ready the project for council’s consideration and adoption.

Once the solar array is in operation, Greenbelters will truly be able to say we’re helping folks “breathe easier” in Prince George’s County.

Steve Skolnik
Greenbelt Green Team

Choosing the Future

At its September 24 meeting, council may adopt a Community and Economic Development Policy for Greenbelt without the usual multi-step review involving, at a minimum, a well-publicized public hearing or two.

Worse yet, the policy lacks two things that you would expect in a major Greenbelt planning document. First, one would expect it to include a concise statement of the town’s original design principles that the New Deal planners established. Their vision was a Greenbelt that was a peaceful and enjoyable place to live, raise a family and escape from the hectic spaces and high-density development elsewhere in the D.C. area. Second, one would expect an account of how the proposed list of development goals is consistent with these original principles.

Greenbelt isn’t just some town—at heart it is a National Historic Landmark because the town’s present-day land use and social infrastructure embody the ideals of the New Deal, the federal government’s response to the American family’s suffering during the Great Depression.

Beyond land-use principles such as adequate green space and walkability, the New Deal planners also specified principles for community organization

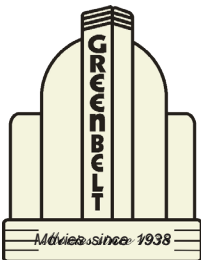
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Pete Reppert



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Community Events

Thoughtful Discussion At MakerSpace

Are leaders born naturally or do the traits of leadership emerge to fill a power vacuum? The thoughtful discussion group that meets at MakerSpace will discuss the nature and nurture of leaders next Tuesday evening, September 25, from 7 to 9 p.m. All are welcome.

Many Co-ops Gather On the National Mall

The Greenbelt Cooperative Alliance will be among the hundreds of cooperative enterprises participating in the Co-op Festival on the National Mall Saturday and Sunday, October 6 and 7. The seven co-ops in the Alliance are the Greenbelt Federal Credit Union, Greenbelt News Review, Greenbelt Nursery School, Greenbelt Consumer Cooperative, Greenbelt Homes Incorporated (GHI), New Deal Café and Greenbelt MakerSpace Cooperative. The festival will focus on the impact cooperatives have on the economy and on people's lives. Nowhere is this more evident than in Greenbelt. The 2018 Co-op Festival will celebrate the success, diversity and impact of cooperative business. It will bring the top national co-op brands and supporters together to show America how co-ops are building a better world and a more inclusive economy. Come celebrate with us.

Robotics Team Meets At MakerSpace

The new Team Illusion Robotics Club is having an informational meeting on Monday, September 24 at 6 p.m. at MakerSpace.

Menu for Senior Nutrition Program

The Senior Nutrition Food and Friendship program provides lunches for seniors Monday through Friday at the Community Center beginning at noon. Meals must be reserved by 11 a.m. two days ahead so that enough food is ordered. Call 301-397-2208 ext. 4215.

All meals, which provide at least one-third of Recommended Dietary Allowances for older adults, include margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk. Menus for the week of September 24 are as follows:

Monday, September 24: Hamburger, baked beans, sliced carrots, wheat hamburger bun, applesauce, orange juice.

Tuesday, September 25: Krabby cake, green beans, hot spiced fruit, carrot raisin salad, wheat hamburger bun, cranberry juice.

Wednesday, September 26: Glazed ham, oven-roasted potatoes, spinach, biscuit, fresh fruit, orange juice.

Thursday, September 27: Creamy paprika chicken, rice pilaf, ratatouille, wheat roll, sliced pears, apple juice.

Friday, September 28: Chicken noodle soup, bruschetta beef, whole grain garlic rotini, Brussels sprouts, garlic breadstick, pineapple tidbits, grape juice.



GES Beautification Needs Volunteers

Come help spruce up the Greenbelt Elementary School Butterfly Gardens on Saturday, September 29 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Many hands make light work, so bring the kids. The work involves weeding, trimming and mulching. The city is provid-

ing a large pile of mulch; some hedges need trimming. Some tools and gloves will be provided, but bring your own favorite gloves and tools, especially big shovels and wheelbarrows. Bring a water bottle.



PHOTO BY INGRID HASS

Mulching and wheeling at last year's beautification day

GHI Notes

Thursday, September 20, 7:45 p.m., Board of Directors Meeting, Board Room.

Friday, September 21, office closed. Emergency Maintenance Service is available at 301-474-6011.

Monday, September 24, 7 p.m., Communications Committee Meeting, GHI Lobby;

7 p.m., Pre-purchase Orientation, Board Room.

Tuesday, September 25, 7:30 p.m., Audit Committee Meeting, Board Room.

Wednesday, September 26, 7 p.m., Buildings Committee Meeting, Board Room.

Thursday, September 27, 7 p.m., Committee Training, Board Room.

Mishkan Torah Holds Film Screening

The Social Action Committee of Mishkan Torah Synagogue will present a special showing of the film Chasing Coral on Sunday, September 23 at 1 p.m. at the synagogue. A guest speaker will introduce the film.

Directed by Jeff Orlowski and produced by Larissa Rhodes, the film details the ongoing story of the deterioration and death at an unprecedented rate of the world's coral reefs. Filming took over three years, with the final cut distilled from over five hundred hours of underwater footage from over thirty countries. The film was made with the support of over five hundred people throughout the world and is an original Netflix documentary. Honored and acclaimed, Chasing Coral is not to be missed.

This event is free and open to the public. Mishkan Torah is located at 10 Ridge Road.

At Greenbelt Park

Saturday, September 22, Junior Ranger Beginner's Tree Walk starts at 9 a.m. Come join a beginner children's tree walk. Meet at the Ranger station near the campground at 9 a.m.

Saturday, September 22, Special Event: National Public Lands Day, beginning at 8:45 a.m. and ending at noon at the Sweetgum Picnic Area. Stewardship events are held across the United States on public lands as a way to give back to the community. Celebrate National Public Lands Day at our local park. Learn the ten miles of trails, camp in the beautiful outdoors or volunteer to help the park. Volunteers can participate in a trail maintenance project or campground improvement project. There will be a free movie shown in the Sweetgum Picnic Area at night. All participants need to pre-register online through the Event Brite link on nps.gov/gree.

Delegate Washington Will Hold Table Talk

Delegate Alonzo Washington invites Eleanor Roosevelt High School students and parents to join him for his upcoming Table Talk event on Tuesday, September 25 at 9:30 a.m. in the ERHS Media Center.

Washington will facilitate a discussion of the Kirwan Commission, which is currently updating Maryland's education funding formulas.



Senior Open Forum

On Saturday, September 22 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. the Senior Citizen Advisory Committee will hold its annual Open Forum in the Community Center, Room 202. Greenbelters of all ages are invited to share their concerns about issues in the community and get direct feedback from city officials, including members of the city council and representatives of various city government agencies. Positive comments are also welcome and appreciated.

Come to the Ceilidh

St. Columba's Scottish Country Dancers host a Ceilidh (pronounced KAY-lee), a fun night of live Scottish music and dancing that is free to all. No experience is needed; just do as the caller says. No need to come with a partner. Just bring a smile and wear soft-soled shoes. The Ceilidh will be held at the Community Center on Tuesday, September 25 at 8 p.m.

The following week, on Tuesday, October 2, an eight-week beginner's class from 8 to 10 p.m. will be held also at the Community Center, for which there is a fee. Again, no partner or kilt is needed, and it's great exercise and an opportunity to have a lot of fun.

Medicaid Long-Term Care Workshop

Every day, lawyers see families who suffer because of lack of preparation. Attorney R. Anthony Pasciuto from Byrd and Byrd, LLC, will explain Medicaid's long-term care benefit guidelines and requirements of the Medicaid process. He will also answer questions regarding the process of applying for Medicaid, how to qualify and how to preserve assets.

The workshop will be held on the second floor of the Municipal Building on Monday, October 1 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Registration is required; call Katherine Farzin to RSVP at 240-542-2019.

Sign Up Now Open For Rafael's Race

The Greenbelt Elementary School PTA is sponsoring the annual Rafael's Race 1K fun run and 5K race on Saturday, October 20. The event remembers Rafael Martins, a GES student who died in 2009, and raises funds the PTA provides to the school to support student field trips. Both runs start and end at Greenbelt Elementary School, with the 1K starting at 8:40 a.m. and the 5K at 9 a.m. Registration and more information are available at greenbeltelementarypta.org/?page_id=2868.

More Community Events
are located throughout the paper.

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Obituaries

Bruce T. Coulter



Bruce Coulter

Bruce Coulter, age 64, died on September 15, 2018, at his home surrounded by his family after a five year battle with cancer. He was born May 24, 1954, in Maryland to Edward and Raphael Coulter, the youngest of five children. Growing up in Greenbelt, he developed a love of nature, spending countless hours playing in the woods. In high school, Bruce joined the Volunteer Fire Department and was also awarded the Gary Comeau Gold Medal by the State of Maryland for his academic achievements. During this time, Bruce met Debbie - his high school sweetheart and best friend.

They enjoyed life to the fullest, spending time camping, hiking and bicycling. Bruce and Debbie married in 1973, and were blessed with 45 years of a home filled with love, laughter and family – starting with their nephews Johnny and Michael and soon adding their own children Chris and Jackie. They enjoyed family vacations, including yearly road trips to both Chincoteague and Deep Creek Lake. Bruce stressed the importance of education, family and pursuing one’s passion.

As Chris and Jackie grew up and out of the house, Bruce’s family grew again to include three spoiled goldendoodle dogs,

Emma, then Ginger, and then Mavis. The family tree grew again when Jackie married Andrew, and Chris married Tricia. He didn’t think life could get any better until he experienced being a grandpa with the arrival of Avery, Henry and Bodhi. He had a special, unique relationship with each of them.

While family remained of utmost importance, Bruce likewise found success in both his career and his passions. Starting in 1977 Bruce began working at NASA, supporting various team missions including the successful IUE, LANDSAT, and GMAO satellite programs. Bruce also loved working with his hands bringing a passion for building, remodeling, landscaping and gardening, always enhancing his family’s life through his creativity.

In life, Bruce consciously chose simplicity over materialism, and put family above career. He beamed with pride over the family he had made. The past five years revealed the true power of the love for his family as he fought to stay with them. Bruce’s heritage to his children was not words or possessions, but an unspoken treasure, the treasure of his example as a man and a father.

A memorial service for Bruce will be held at 2 p.m. on Sunday, September 30, at the Cape St. Clair Clubhouse, 1223 River Bay Rd., Annapolis, MD 21409. In lieu of flowers donation can be made to St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital.

Celebration of Life

A Celebration of Life for Joseph “Shayne” Carstens will be held at the Mowatt Church Hall at 40 Ridge Rd. on Saturday, September 22 from 3 to 7 p.m. Feel welcome to join in and share fond memories of Shayne as we celebrate his life.

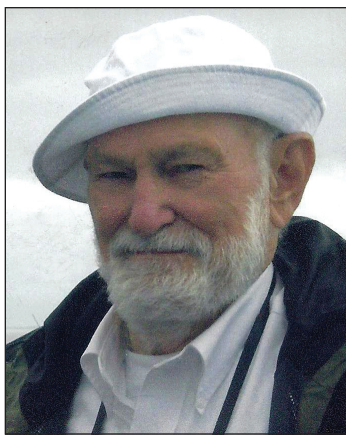
Eileen Fitzgerald Uber

Eileen Fitzgerald Uber died suddenly and unexpectedly on September 11, 2018, at her home in Prince Frederick, Md. Born to Laurence and Geraldine Fitzgerald in 1955, she grew up in Greenbelt, graduating from Pal-lotti Catholic High School in Laurel, Md. She married Bill Uber III in 1975, and they lived on Research Road for a time. She continued her education at Catholic University and the University of Maryland where she earned a bachelor of science degree in Radio and Television Arts.

She and Bill raised two sons: Geoffrey and Jeremy. She leaves behind three sisters: Maureen Aichele (the late Terrence), Kathleen Schiavone (Tony), Celine Butland (Robert) and a brother, Vito Ascosi (Sue). She was predeceased by her brother Laurence III (Beverly). She also leaves behind four cherished (and spoiled) grandchildren: Cassidy, Kaidin, Hope and Brooke Uber.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held Monday, September 17, at St. John Vianney Catholic Church in Prince Frederick, with burial in the church cemetery. Additional biography can be seen at <http://www.rauschfuneralhomes.com>, search “Uber” at the Port Republic page.

Alfonso F. Geiger



Alfonso Geiger

Alfonso (Al, Fonce) F. Geiger, age 93, died peacefully on Saturday, September 15, 2018, at his home in the Riderwood community. He was born September 23, 1925, on his family’s farm in Saranac, Michigan, the fifth child of eight to German immigrants August and Emma Geiger. After serving in the U.S. Navy during WWII he graduated from the University of Michigan with a degree in Geological Engineering. His job as a geologist for the Department of Agriculture first brought the young Geiger family to Greenbelt in 1957, where he lived for 49 years. He was a professor of geology at George

Washington University until his retirement. A devoted husband, father and grandfather he was a gifted gardener, carpenter, boat builder and game player who enjoyed making a competition out of any activity.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Mary Agnes, and son Paul Allen. He is survived by his second wife Ellie Friend, his sisters Arlene and Shirley, his children Maureen, Patricia, Kathleen, Thomas and Ellen, their spouses Kate, Ted, Mark and Patty as well as his 10 grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

A celebration of his life will be held at the Greenbelt American Legion on Sunday, September 23, from noon until 2 p.m. Friends of the Geiger family are invited to join us.



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Condolences to family and friends of Bruce Coulter who died peacefully surrounded by his family. A memorial service will be held on Sunday, September 30 at the Cape St. Clair Clubhouse in Annapolis.

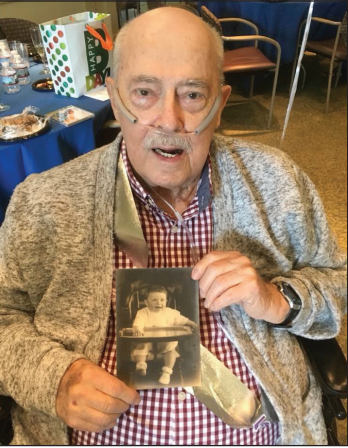
Condolences to Anne Gardner and the Gardner family on the death of Anne’s mother Yvonne Rowe.

Our sympathies to the friends and family of Al Geiger, a former News Review staff member and long-time Greenbelter, who died on September 15.

Congratulations to Silas Fishburne, 18, a volunteer and resident at the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department who was awarded the 2017 Junior Firefighter of the Year award by the Prince George’s County Volunteer Fire & Rescue Association at the annual meeting on Thursday, September 13.

John Maffay, former longtime Greenbelt resident and pioneer child, just celebrated his 85th birthday with a lively party at Collington, where he now resides. Family and friends toasted with champagne, and enjoyed lovely light nibbles and cake. Live music completed the festive atmosphere. Happy Birthday to John!

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John Maffay holds his baby picture at his 85th birthday party.

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GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL- REGULAR MEETING

Municipal Building, Monday, September 24, 2018 – 8:00 p.m.

ORGANIZATION

Call to Order

Roll Call

Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Consent Agenda – Approval of Staff Recommendations (Items on the Consent Agenda [marked by *] will be approved as recommended by staff, subject to removal from the Consent Agenda by Council.)

Approval of Agenda and Additions

COMMUNICATIONS

Presentations

- Nonprofit Awareness Week Proclamation
- Breast Cancer Awareness Month Proclamation
- Introduction of New Community Planner

Petitions and Requests

(Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon by the City Council at this meeting unless Council waives its Standing Rules.)

Minutes of Council Meeting

Administrative Reports

*** Committee Reports**

LEGISLATION

OTHER BUSINESS

- Economic Development Policy
- Award of Purchase – Public Works Equipment & Vehicle
- County Proposed Short-Term Rental Legislation
- Community Development Block Grant Application for Program Year 45 (FY 2020)
- Council Activities
- Council Reports

MEETINGS-Scheduling of future meetings

NOTE: This is a preliminary agenda, subject to change. Regular Council meetings are open to the public, and all interested citizens are invited to attend. If special accommodations are required for any disabled person, please call 301-474-8000 no later than 10am on the meeting day. Deaf individuals are advised to use MD RELAY at 711 or e-mail banderson@greenbeltmd.gov to reach the City Clerk.

MEETINGS FOR SEPTEMBER 24-28

Monday, September 24 at 6:30pm **G-CART** at the Greenbelt Police Station, 550 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: Murder Mystery Dinner Planning, Upcoming Delmarva Search and Rescue CERTEx Event Date.*

Monday, September 24 at 7:30pm **Greenbelt CERT** at the Greenbelt Police Station, 550 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: Coordinator’s Report, Labor Day Report, and New Business*

Monday, September 24 at 8:00pm **REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING** at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 & 996, and Streaming at www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv

Tuesday, September 25 at 3:30pm, **SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: Review/Discussion of SCAC’s 2018 Open Forum and Nomination of SCAC Officers for 2018-2019*

Tuesday, September 25 at 7:00pm, **ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION** at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: School Board Candidate’s Debate Planning, PTA Presidents Meeting, Letter to Council about YAC*

Tuesday, September 25 at 7:00pm, **ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON TREES** at Public Works Facility, 555 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: Date for Significant Tree Tour.*

Tuesday, September 25 at 7:30pm, **GREEN ACES/GREEN TEAM** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: Beltway Plaza redevelopment plan presentation, Updates from Sustainability Framework / Green Team Circles, and Upcoming Events.*

Wednesday, September 26 at 7:30pm, **COUNCIL WORK SESSION w/ Arts Advisory Board (AAB) Public Art Policy** at the Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road.

Thursday, September 27 at 7:00pm, **FOREST PRESERVE ADVISORY BOARD** at Public Works Facility, 555 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: Pumpkin Walk, Discussion of Section 2 Trails of the Guidelines, including revisions to Section 1 Introduction, Discussion of Ch. 6 Disturbances, and Fall cleanup*

The schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call 301-474-8000.

VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups.

There are currently vacancies on:

Advisory Committee of Education, Arts Advisory Board, Ethics Commission, Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability, Senior Citizens Advisory Committee, and Youth Advisory Committee. For information on how to apply: 301-474-8000

Donation Drop Off

Saturday, September 22 from 9am-12pm

Green Drop provides Donation Drop-Off collection on the second and fourth Saturday of the month, from 9am-12 noon in the City Office parking lot at 25 Crescent Road on the Community Center side.

<http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/index.aspx?nid=337>

GREENBELT CELEBRATES 80 YEARS OF MOVIES

Friday, September 21 7:00pm

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- Students are required to purchase a copy of the GED textbook, calculator and test-taking materials for \$45 (purchased from Greenbelt CARES). There is no registration fee for GREENBELT RESIDENTS. Non-Greenbelt residents are required to pay a \$ 175 registration fee.

Questions? Judy Hering 301-345-6660, ext. 2016, or email: jhering@greenbeltmd.gov.

NATIONAL PUBLIC LANDS DAY

September 29, 2018

Dora Kennedy French Immersion School

8950 Edmonston Road, Greenbelt, MD

10 AM – 2 PM

Volunteers needed!

Participate in a nation-wide workday to help reduce erosion and make play safer by covering the bare areas with mulch. A portion of the area will be planted as a pollinator garden.

Reminders:

- Bring a reusable water bottle
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing and closed-toe shoes
- Students: bring community-service forms

Questions? Contact Environmental Coordinator Jason Martin at jmartin@greenbeltmd.gov

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prepared this year and thought that the team had improved a lot. In the end, the ERHS team placed 15th in the nation. Over 200 students from 30 U.S. schools participated this year.

The added thrill came in a trip provided by the Kakehashi Program to all the competitors. According to their press release, this program is a people-to-people exchange program that builds friendship and cooperation between the U.S. and Japan.

Because of the large number of those invited, the group was split into two. Sittman was part of the group that was sent south to Nagasaki. There he had an emotional experience centered around the atomic blast on August 9, 1945. They were shown artifacts and displays of the horrific destruction. The most gripping experience was listening to the testimony of a survivor now in her 80s. He found it “eye-opening” and was struck by the fact that “it wasn’t that long ago.”

The combined participants then reconvened in Tokyo. There they toured the Honda Motor Company, the American Embassy and various famous sites in the city. They were even treated to a meeting with Her Imperial Highness, Princess Takamado.

While at ERHS, Sittman

served as the president of the Japanese Honor Society (JHS) in 2018. It ranks as the largest on the East Coast and second largest in the nation. In the recent past, the JHS has hosted a Japanese delegation of government officials and had been invited to the White House by President Obama.

Sittman had high praise for the ERHS Japanese program and especially instructor Tet-suo Ogawa, saying that “he was highly influential to me.” It was his example that has led Sittman to study Asian studies with a Japanese concentration this fall at University of Maryland-Baltimore County. He hopes to become a language teacher himself. Ogawa commented that Sittman was one of the best students who competed in this event and that he was pleased about his further course of study.

Sittman has been a Greenbelt resident for six years. He said “he would love to help out in the future” with any further Japanese endeavors at ERHS, if his new schedule allows.

ERHS has sent a team to the Japan Bowl for the last eight years. As to their performance this year, Ogawa remarked, “They did well. I am proud of them since they worked hard to get where they were.”

The Greenbelt News Review
Continues to Reach New Heights

by Joe and Jenn Malpass

My wife and I are relatively new Greenbelters, having moved here in January 2017. We’ve enjoyed reading the News Review each week to learn about the city’s history and to keep up to date with local events. We were excited to hear about the different elevations that the News Review has been taken to by various readers this year because we had the opportunity to continue this tradition with our most recent excursion.

On September 8, we carried the August 23 edition of the Greenbelt News Review with us to the summit of Mount Kilimanjaro in Tanzania, Africa. The top of this dormant volcano, Uhuru Peak, stands 19,341 feet (5,895 meters) above mean sea level. It is the highest point in Africa and the tallest freestanding mountain on earth. I believe this is the furthest in elevation that the newspaper has been taken so far. Quite breathless, we were happy to sit for a minute or two to snap a photo at the top.

I should like to apologize to David Whiteman and Lorenzo Labrador for not allowing them a longer standing with their record of 5,274 meters, set in June this year (our vacation was already booked when we saw the article). But who knows, maybe we’ll find ourselves in the same position a few weeks from now - all it takes is one intrepid Greenbelter with something like the Himalayas or the Karakoram in their sights.



Greenbelters Joe and Jenn Malpass bring the News Review to the highest point in Africa, Mount Kilimanjaro in Tanzania.

PHOTO COURTESY OF JOE AND JENN MALPASS



Female monarch butterfly at Bud-dy Attick Park

PHOTO BY KATHRYN BEARD



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and Speech Sciences departments. Researchers are typically graduate students working on projects as part of their graduate curriculum, undergraduate students working on projects for research experience or as part of an honors thesis, volunteers or paid research assistants. Their research relies on volunteer participation from local families and has led to improvements in childhood literacy, cochlear implants and treatments for children with concussions, among other things.

Connor’s children enjoy participating in the studies. “It’s exciting and fun for my kids,” she said. “They love the one-on-one attention and the games. The students do a wonderful job, even when they have to take the toys away.”

Over the past eight years the Leisnham family, another Greenbelt family, have participated in over 20 studies. Cara Leisnham mentioned that her children enjoy the studies. “They enjoy feeling like they are doing something important. They know they are helping the university understand kids more. Their dad is a researcher so they understand that you learn through studies,” she said.

Heather Norden, also a Greenbelter, participated in three studies with her son this past year. She is a child psychologist herself and understands the importance of research. “It helps us as

practitioners and helps other kids down the line to be treated and to be understood.” Norden said that her son loves going to “big kid school” and really enjoys the students who do the studies.

The Infant and Child Studies Program makes the studies as convenient as possible. Local families interested in participating may sign up online. Once on the list, families will be contacted when their child is the right age for a certain study. They will receive an email inviting the child to the study. This email states what is being studied, how long the study will take and what to expect during the study. The lab and the participating family will then agree on a date and time.

On the day of the study, a student comes out to meet the participant and their guardian’s car as they drive to the correct building at UMD and then directs them to a designated free parking space. The student then escorts the participant and their guardian the entire way to the lab. Connor said that while only one child usually participates in each study, she brings both of them and that the Infant and Child Studies Program has been wonderfully accommodating. The students often help her get the children out of the car, and will entertain the child who isn’t in the study. This is especially helpful when a younger baby is participating in

a study as the guardian accompanies them.

The study leaders are very child-focused, Leisnham mentioned. “They are really great with kids. If the kids need a break, that’s fine.” She also said that if a child needs to go into a separate room, the guardian can watch the whole time via camera or mirror.

Studies vary greatly, with infant studies relying mainly on eye tracking while older children may watch films, play games or watch puppet shows. Puppets were a big hit with Leisnham’s children and whenever they go to studies, her children always ask if there will be puppets again.

At the end of the study sometimes the child is given a small toy. The family is sent a thank you email, which may give more information about the study though generally is not able to say much as the research is ongoing and data are still being collected. Due to confidentiality, the program cannot reach out to participating families with updates, but they can answer questions if the participants follow up. The program also publishes research findings on its website.

To learn more about the Infant and Child Studies program or volunteer visit childstudies.umd.edu.

More GNR Travels



Yeoman of the Watch and Pat Scully pose outside the Chapel Royal of St. Peter ad Vincula (St. Peter in Chains) inside the Tower of London.

PHOTO BY CHARLOTTE KIELISZEK



Councilmember Leta Mach holds up her copy of the News Review outside the Brandenburg Gate in Berlin.

PHOTO BY DARRELL MACH

MakerSpace Stays the Course Despite Founders' Departure

by Nora Eckert



PHOTO BY JILL CONNOR

MakerSpace continues to serve the community.

After dedicating the last eight years of their lives to cultivating opportunities for students in Greenbelt to develop skills in the science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) fields, George Boyce and Eva Fallon, founders of Greenbelt MakerSpace, are starting a new chapter in tranquil Vermont.

The couple leaves behind a thriving community resource that will continue to encourage countless members to be inquisitive and persistent and to develop essential life skills.

The road to creating the space was not an easy one. After encouraging STEM education in local schools for a couple of years, Fallon and Boyce looked to establish their own makerspace in the community, but they had difficulty finding a large enough venue at an affordable price. This was exacerbated by the fact that they were financing this venture with their personal foundation.

One day as they sat in the New Deal Café strategizing possible locations for their space, they looked across the mall and saw a dry-cleaning store with a “For Sale” sign in the window. After four months, 30 trips to the scrap metal shop and several headaches, they opened Greenbelt MakerSpace.

Over the past five years, Fallon and Boyce have encouraged student engagement in STEM through robotics teams, summer camps and repair cafés.

Although they have greatly enjoyed watching students grow in the MakerSpace throughout the years, Boyce and Fallon are excited for their move to Vermont. They say the rural community better fits their lifestyle, smiling as they look at pictures of potential homes surrounded by acres of

lush forest.

Community members have stepped up to fill Boyce and Fallon’s many positions within the MakerSpace, especially after it converted from a private foundation to a community owned co-op 16 months ago. However, no amount of people power could replace the indispensable role they played in creating such a welcoming environment for children and adults alike.

William Fishburne, the president of the board of directors, says “Eva and George are without a doubt the heart of the MakerSpace and a tremendous asset to this community resource.”

There will certainly be changes in the coming months, but Fishburne is excited about the future of the MakerSpace, explaining that the board plans to capitalize upon the skills they have within their ranks, such as drawing upon their STEM teachers to design new programs.

The board is also working to gauge what the community wants the MakerSpace to offer, using their website, Twitter and blogs to connect with the Greenbelt area and beyond.

“We function as a library for tools, knowledge and learning where people can come and grow,” Fishburne says.

Fallon and Boyce are delighted with the sense of ownership community members have taken in the current operations and future planning of the MakerSpace. Boyce remarks, “Those who think it is my or Eva’s makerspace, I hope they feel the need to volunteer and fill [our] space[s].”

Fallon echoes this sentiment. “That’s all I hope for,” she says, “that they have fun and make it theirs. They’re going to make it.”

GNR Archive Project Seeks Volunteers to Mind the GAP

by Cathie Meetre

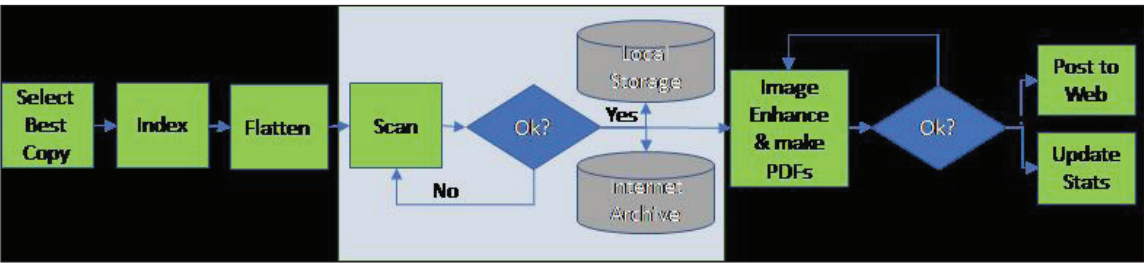


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Processing the papers is a series of well-defined steps and consistent standards through which each paper will pass on its way to a permanent archive.

Tucked away in a corner of the Community Center stage, the Greenbelt Archive Project’s (GAP) office is now set up. With the scanner in place, computers ready and with multiple terabytes of storage awaiting, the rescue of 60 years of early Greenbelt News Reviews (GNR) is poised to begin.

The Greenbelt Archive Project seeks volunteers to assist in the preparation and boxing of papers at the Community Center during normal center hours. The duration of the project is two years and volunteers will be assigned, at their convenience, to one or more two-hour shifts per week, working in pairs or trios to complement UMD staff and students.

Orientation, scheduling and paper-handling training will be held at the Community Center during the weeks beginning September 24 and October 1 and as needed thereafter.

Leveraging a fruitful relationship with the University of Maryland’s I-School group and through the generosity of donors and the city, the project will start with a bang. In addition to funds raised by GAP, UMD has independently received a National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) grant to digitize 20 years of News Reviews as a cooperative project with GAP. These papers will be sent to UMD’s scanning vendor and their processing managed by UMD. Preparation of the papers and their archival on return from the scanning process will be managed by GAP.

While the NEH papers are readied for shipping, the GAP team will set up and test the processing sequence that pilots each individual paper through preparation, disassembly, scanning, reassembly and archive. Once the end-to-end chain is well established, papers will progress year by year inexorably with the aim of processing approximately 200 pages per week for two years.

For some periods of time in the fifties and early sixties, that’s about a year per week. In later times, papers got bigger and go from an average of four pages to a mix of eight and twelve pages in the nineties – so processing will complete a year every two to three weeks. Today’s papers are always 12 or more pages but are already digital, thank goodness.

The initial target is to complete scanning the years 1943 to 2001, the period prior to the all-electronic newspaper of today. These highly-acidic papers are deteriorating rapidly and the current electronic archive, based on copies of microfilm, is of poor to moderate quality. The period from the first paper in 1937 until 1943 is available on the Library of Congress Chronicling America website. The Library of Congress scans are, however, also based on microfilm so the stretch goal of GAP is to re-scan 1937 to 1943 from the original newspapers.

Today, apart from 1937 to 1943, the electronic and physical record of the paper is held only by the News Review itself. This makes it vulnerable and ties its existence to that of the newspaper (which is in great health but there’s no betting on posterity). Completing this exercise will place an end-to-end set with InternetArchive.org, the years 1937 to 1963 in the Library of Congress and a further complete set on the News Review servers. Though one might think a digital object like a scan was permanent, in fact these holdings must be refreshed regularly and transferred to new media or transformed into newly-minted types of files to keep them readable into the future. For example, the 110KB 5.25” floppy disks of the past gave way to 8TB external drives that cost less than \$200 and file types like PDF and TIFF emerged as the standard for packaging graphic data.

The Library of Congress is

limited to the years before 1963 in its newspaper collection because of copyright concerns. Whenever they extend past this date, the new scans will be available to complete the Library’s collection. Newspapers from 2002 and ongoing each week will also go to the Internet Archive – but they are already digital and it is just a question of transferring them.

News of GAP’s progress and further information about the processing is available from the GAP website at greenbeltarchiveproject.org.

Potential volunteers may email newsreview.archive@gmail.com.

At the Library

Special Storytime: Books at Bedtime, presented by the Prince George's County Infants and Toddlers Program, Monday, September 24, 6:30 p.m., for ages newborn to 3.

English Conversation: Tuesday, September 25, 6 p.m.

Weekly Storytimes: Tuesday, September 25: ages 3 to 5, 7 p.m.; Wednesday, September 26: ages newborn to 2, 10:15 a.m.; ages 2 to 3, 11:15 a.m.; Thursday, September 27: ages newborn to 2, 10:15 and 11:15 a.m. ages 2 to 3, 4:15 p.m. Stop by the Information Desk immediately prior to each session to pick up free tickets available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Fall 2018 African History & Culture Lecture Series: Tuesday, September 25, 7 p.m. Let Your Motto Be Resistance: Great Slave Revolts will be the first session of the Fall 2018 season in this audio-visual lecture series presented by C.R. Gibbs, historian of the African diaspora.

Math Games: Wednesday, September 26, 4:30 p.m., ages 5 to 12.

French Conversation: Thursday, September 27, 5 p.m.

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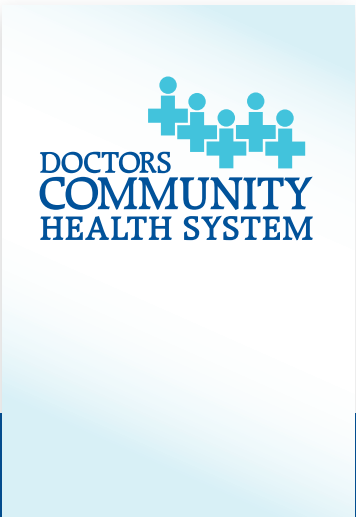
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A Review

Spring Awakening at GAC

by Susan Smithers

Run, don't walk, to the Greenbelt Arts Center to see the Wolf Pack Theatre Company's production of *Spring Awakening* (SA), a rock musical with music by Duncan Sheik and book and lyrics by Steven Salter, based on Frederick Wedekind's 1891 German play *Spring Awakening*.

Long before the angst-ridden teens of the iconic film *Rebel Without a Cause*, there were the angst-ridden teens of a small mid-19th century German town. Eat your hearts out, Natalie, Jimmy and Sal and meet your ancestors and emotional doppelgängers, Wendla, Melchior and Moritz.

There is always a new generation discovering sex for the first time and thinking they invented it. Survivors of this journey—all of us—will love this musical's exploration of sexual awakening, self discovery and youthful revolt. We will lament the confusion and ignorance of these youthful travelers which can only lead to misunderstandings and worse. Who would think that topics such as abortion, abuse, masturbation, pre-marital sex, homosexuality and suicide would make for such an incredible show and bring us such a sensitive, bittersweet, innocent, edgy and tumultuous coming-of-age tale.

Co-directors William Dean Leary and Chris Overly and assistant director Rebecca Overly have made a daring choice. SA is difficult to do well and in less experienced hands could have been crude, salacious and exploitive instead of the powerful and moving work they bring to their audience.

This production is truly greater than the sum of its parts. Leary and the Overlys' casting was inspired — no caricatures for them and the actors inhabited their roles and the world their directors created. The pacing was superb. Jennifer Quilty's musical direction brought forth rich, moving, overlapping vocals and harmonies. Katy Chmura's sensual, fun, and inventive choreography and clever use of props and stage pieces mirrored the teens' inner and outer tumult. Technical Director Stephen Beitzell's lighting and sound effects were evocative and atmospheric, underscoring the teens' highs and lows. Linda Swann and Dannielle Beitzell as costume mistress and costumer have done a fine job with simple but wonderful costumes that reflect a time and a place. Leary



Rachel Sharp plays Wendla and Christian Gonzales is Melchior.

- Photos by Rachel Zirkin Duda

and Chris Overly's set design is minimalist, ironic and apropos with its blackboards, chairs, rolling ladder, two-level platform and mock piano. The blackboards were cleverly used as a foreshadowing device.

The incredible cast radiates joy, youth, energy, esprit de corps and chemistry.

Rachel Sharp's Wendla is most sympathetic and conveys innocence, sweetness, kindness and confusion. Her rendition of *Mama Who Bore Me* is rich and moving and produces goosebumps. The chemistry between her and Melchior is palpable. Christian Gonzales' Melchior is an old soul blessed with confidence and a wisdom, empathy and understanding beyond his years (best depicted by his attempts to help the hapless Moritz). Angel Duque's Moritz is a heart-rending character and evokes pathos with his angst, frenetic energy and striving as he attempts to overcome the obstacles in his path. Alex Reeves' Ilse is free-spirited, but conveys an undertone of sadness. Sophia Riazzi-Sekowski's Martha remains joyous and rebellious despite living under a cloud of abuse. Christine Jacobs and Tom Tomlinson are the only grownups in the room and are a tour de force in their portrayals of 14 adults—



Alex Reeves plays Ilse and Angel Duque is Moritz.

all over age 30—parents, teachers and pillars of the community who fail to understand the depths of confusion and ignorance of the teens in their midst.

The Wolf Pack Theatre Company's production of *Spring Awakening* is not to be missed. Put on your running shoes!

Remaining performances:
Fridays: September 21, 28 at 8 p.m., Saturdays: September 22, 29 at 8 p.m., Sunday Matinees: September 23, 30 at 2 p.m. *Spring Awakening* features adult subject matter, strong language and brief nudity. Running Time is 2 hours and 15 minutes with one intermission.

Democratic Club Will Host Lt. Gov. Candidate Turnbull

by Konrad Herling

Led by Lyn Doyle and Kurt Walter, 13 members of the Eleanor & Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club urged fellow Greenbelters attending the Labor Day Parade to support issues important to the party, including livable wages and reasonable gun control legislation. During the next eight weeks, the club's energy will be dedicated to a non-partisan effort to increase voter registration. To support Democratic candidates, they will knock on doors, call Prince George's County residents, work polls during early voting and election day, and offer to drive voters to the polls.

The next general membership meeting on Friday, September 28 at 7:30 p.m. at the Greenbriar Community Building will feature candidate for Lieutenant Governor Susie Turnbull.

Turnbull, from Montgomery County, has been a civil rights and political activist for more than four decades. She was vice chair of the Democratic National Committee and chairwoman of the Maryland Democratic Party.

She has also worked with Emerge America and co-founded Emerge Maryland, programs which recruit women to run for office. Turnbull is currently a member of the Jewish Community Relations Council of Greater Washington.

Attendees are encouraged to bring refreshments to share.

Turnbull's political partner, Ben Jealous, candidate for governor and former president of the NAACP, currently works with Kapor Capital, a firm investing in companies dedicated to social change. Jealous and Turnbull are focused on increasing voter turnout over 2014's state election. There will be a one-hour debate between Jealous and the Republican candidate, Larry Hogan, on Monday, September 24 which area residents can view on television station WJLA and Maryland Public Television at 7 p.m.

For more information about the club or helping with voter registration or other election efforts, contact Nicole Williams at 202-321-4207 or visit roosevelt-club.com.



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Susie Turnbull, candidate for lieutenant governor, poses with Ben Jealous, candidate for governor.



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The Greenbelt Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) poses for a photo after the Labor Day Festival parade.

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will have to be acted upon by council, so that there will be further opportunities for input. Councilmembers Leta Mach and Silke Pope called the document a good outline or framework.

Councilmember Rodney Roberts disagreed. “Let’s take a little time to get it right,” he argued. One of his main concerns is that the goals do not reflect reality, as he pointed out, stating that the city does not have planning and zoning authority so it is not reasonable to include a goal to “preserve the historic character of Greenbelt through zoning and land use planning.”

Jordan countered that Greenbelt has had some successes in influencing county decisions in this area but Councilmember Colin Byrd noted that the county’s Park and Planning division had not incorporated some of the city’s comments on the draft zoning ordinance.

Roberts was also concerned about the goal to “Maintain percentage of ‘affordable housing units.’” He noted that since the city had never defined what is affordable, it will not be able to measure whether it is meeting this goal.

Jordan and two other councilmembers wanted to move forward that evening. He asked, “What are we waiting for?” The three remaining councilmembers thought it made sense to delay one more time in order to get more community response. A motion to reconsider the already-

adopted motion to delay action on the goals failed on a 3-3 tie, leaving the delay in place.

Davis and Jordan urged Greenbelt residents to send their comments on the goals to the city in good time. Neither council nor the city manager, however, specified a deadline date for submitting comments.

Solar Farm Okay

Council approved city staff’s recommendation to award the Request for Proposals to EDF Renewables Distributed Solutions for creation of a solar farm to partially offset the city’s power usage. The city staff, the city solicitor and EDF are to work together to develop a fifteen-year power purchase agreement. This vendor has already identified land on which the solar farm will be built.

The solar farm will be constructed on a farm in Prince George’s County near Tucker Road. This land was previously zoned for commercial use and before that, the land was used to grow tobacco.

While some councilmembers were uncomfortable with the 15-year commitment, since 20-year contracts are more the norm, James Sterling, director of public works, said that the property owner is unwilling to lengthen the contract as he has plans for the land after the 15 years are completed.

This project will help the city meet its Smart Energy goal of generating 20 percent of mu-

nicipal energy usage by 2022 and should lower Greenbelt’s energy costs as well. Steve Skolnik of the Green Team, assured council that there were no downsides to this proposal. He said that the city will not have to purchase or install the equipment needed since the contractor would do that. The only obligation the city has under this proposal is to buy energy at reduced rates for 15 years.

Council unanimously approved the motion.

Going Green?

Council received a request from Lore Rosenthal of the Greenbelt Climate Action Network (GCAN). The organization is asking candidates to endorse a law prohibiting new fossil fuel projects in Maryland. While the law would not apply to existing fuel plans, it could apply to substantive fossil fuel generation plans and infrastructure.

Rosenthal asked that council consider this item at its September 24 regular meeting.

Federal Pay Freeze

Byrd made a motion to send a letter to the White House objecting to the federal pay freeze. Councilmember Silke Pope objected that if the city starts writing letters opposing some action the president took, it will become a never ending task. She suggested that council stick to Greenbelt issues.

Roberts, while noting that council took no action when President Obama imposed a simi-

lar freeze, said he didn’t mind sending the letter. Councilmember Leta Mach called the letter “a service to our constituents.”

The mayor said that he thought writing letters such as this is a waste of time. He also noted that a letter to the president “will make no difference.”

Council’s own standing rules state that “As a body, City Council shall not generally take positions on foreign [,] national or regional issues that do not directly affect the conduct of the City’s business.” On a vote, the motion to send a letter was passed.

Lady Law

Council briefly discussed how it might be able to discourage Carolyn Crowley, aka Lady Law, who has been stationing three trucks around town. Davis discussed the issue with her during the Labor Day festival, without

reaching a conclusion.

Davis said that she thought that what Crowley wants most is for council to make a big fuss about her vehicles that she could turn into additional publicity.

The city’s parking regulations are ineffective as a tool to compel her to move the trucks. The regulations simply require that the vehicle not be parked in the same place for 30 days. After that, all a troublesome parker needs to do is to move the vehicle one space forward or back. Council asked the staff and city solicitor to continue their search for an effective approach including review of how other cities are dealing with similar issues. Aileen Kroll suggested the city approach the issue as an advertising issue. The truck is not used for moving goods but only serves as a mobile billboard.

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still had some concerns about the city’s policy. However, since Councilmember Judith Davis did not agree to withdraw her second, the motion was still alive and was eventually approved as described above.

A good-sized crowd was still in place as Mayor Emmett Jordan opened the floor to comments. Many were Hispanic residents who remained concerned that they could be arrested and taken away from their homes and children, who often were U.S. citizens. CASA de Maryland representative, Trent Lierman, translated for presenters commenting in Spanish.

Some commenters urged the city to go beyond merely considering what the police should do and address the broader issues. Several speakers sought to have council pass a law instead. One reason stated in support for these requests for a law is that a General Order could be changed by a new police chief without council review. Jordan pointed out that if a police chief or city manager attempted to do this, council would direct the city manager to fire the chief, and if the city manager refused, council would then fire the city manager.

Others spoke of how fear led them to not report crimes or automobile accidents for fear that would bring them to ICE’s attention. These fears included what would happen to their children if ICE learned of their location and sought to deport them. Some were concerned that even appearing before council at this televised meeting could attract law enforcement attention. Jordan assured all that Greenbelt is a safe place that treats its residents with

respect regardless of their status, so long as they are law-abiding.

Another fear was that undocumented residents would not receive equal treatment in dealing with other city departments. Examples of possible mistreatment by other departments related to refuse collecting and the purchase of pool passes. No speaker, however, had an example of that actually happening.

After passage of the motion to confirm support of the General Order, Byrd moved to direct city staff to draft an ordinance on the issue that would include both the protections in the general order and prohibit city participation in registrations systems used to identify undocumented immigrants. The ordinance would cover all city departments.

The motion did not receive a second. When Byrd asked Roberts if he could provide the second, Roberts declined, saying that council couldn’t iron this out that night. Roberts said that council needs multiple worksessions to determine the right approach.

Open Meetings

On August 22, the Open Meetings Compliance Board issued its response to a complaint that council had violated the Open Meetings Act by failing to publish minutes on 15 dates from February 1, 2017, to May 9, 2018. Jordan read the response aloud.

The board’s response noted that the complaint did not allege any act or omission by council. Shifting its focus to the Advisory Planning Board (APB) the Open Meetings Board noted that there was no claim that the minutes were not approved in a timely manner, it found that APB did

approve its minutes at the next meeting. The Compliance board found that APB did not violate the Open Meetings Act.

Further, although the minutes had not been posted online, the Compliance Board found no sign that the board selectively posted its minutes or denied the complainant the opportunity to inspect them. As the minutes are now posted, the Compliance Board found that the oversight did not rise to the level of a violation.

The compliance board closed its opinion by noting that neither APB nor council had violated the Act and pointed out that members of the public should first seek information from public bodies before invoking the board’s procedures. “Here, a visit to City Hall or a Public Information Act request would likely have yielded the minutes and brought the oversight to staff’s attention more efficiently than this complaint.”

Miss Greenbelt

Byrd’s motion to ask the Community Relations Advisory Board to explore ways to improve relations between the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival and the Miss Greenbelt scholarship organization did not receive a second.

Davis reported that the reason there was no pageant this year is that not enough potential competitors applied to make the competition worthwhile. In the past, council has explored this issue and found that the main problem involved an issue directly between the pageant and the Festival. Council previously determined that the parties must resolve this themselves.



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Weather-wise Greenbelters Watch for Wunderground

by Theresa Diffendal



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A Wunderground Personal Weather System busily measures Greenbelt meteorological conditions.

Take a closer look at some backyards in Greenbelt and you may spy a spinning white contraption. It is not, as one owner likened it to, the Star Trek Enterprise, but an equally sophisticated Personal Weather Station (PWS) for collecting hyper-local weather data.

Wunderground, short for Weather Underground, is an international platform that aggregates and displays weather data from over a quarter million members' individual weather stations. According to their mission statement, Wunderground strives "to make the highest quality weather information available to every person on this planet."

A PWS is essentially a long pole, usually in one's backyard or affixed to a deck, from which extends technology to measure temperature, relative humidity, barometric pressure, air quality, rainfall and wind speed and direction. The measurements are delivered to a remote home console that updates multiple times per minute, ensuring owners have the most recent data about their home weather conditions.

"Temperatures and humidity and stuff like that vary a lot locally," said Greenbelt resident and PWS owner Andrew Smith. "It's nice that I'm not getting Washington D.C. weather."

Smith, who is also a physicist at the University of Maryland, said he had previously tried other official websites, such as weather.gov, but could not find reliable local weather data. He bought his own weather station in 2013 and has been pleased with it.

"I like that it's on all the time and it's pretty reliable," Smith said.

Ray Zammuto, a member of the board of directors for the Greenbelt News Review, voiced similar sentiments about his PWS, "plain and simple, I know what the weather is." His weather station was a Christmas gift from his children, a sign of his evident interest in weather and data.

The streams of data also appealed to Smith, maybe more than the weather. "I like collecting data," he said. "I think it's interesting, I think it's fun."

Smith recalled collecting data during the derecho storm that tore through the Washington metropolitan area in July 2012 and

caused power outages in parts of Greenbelt and 9 million outages nationwide.

"You could see very accurately to the minute how the barometric pressure was just rapidly dropping," Smith said. Barometric pressure drops are due to proximity of low pressure weather systems, which feature clouds, strong wind and precipitation.

In addition to viewing local weather, Smith has used Wunderground to track timely weather measurements of other towns during natural disasters. During Hurricane Florence, Smith said, "you could look at personal weather stations all along the North Carolina coast. So you'd get these incredible very local weather sources where you can see wind speeds and rainfall all along the coast."

Smith's one criticism of personal weather stations is their fallibility in Maryland terrain. The PWS need a large, clear space in which to operate in order to properly measure things like wind speed and rainfall. The abundance of trees, especially throughout Greenbelt, means the PWS is more likely to produce inconsistent wind and rain measurements. However, Greenbelt's personal weather stations join over 8,000 internationally. Wunderground provides an online guide to purchasing your own weather station, with some surprisingly reasonable options as well as additional technology to collect other measurements.

When asked whether other Greenbelt residents would benefit from PWS, Smith responded, "everyone should have a personal weather station."

A Review

Movie, Man in Red Bandana: A Tale of Courage and Fate

by Gary Kohn

Most Americans can tell you exactly where they were when they heard the news on September 11, 2001 ("9/11"). The reference to the date is, like Pearl Harbor Day, "a day that will live in infamy." In both cases, an enemy had launched a brutal attack on American soil. And in both cases, even more so now, pictures of the carnage caused by the attacks left an indelible impression on all those who witnessed the destruction.

In both cases, the tragedy was marked by the heroism of individuals, by people who, without regard for their own safety, risked, and in some cases lost, their own lives so they could bring others to safety.

Last Tuesday night, on 9/11, about 75 Greenbelters and others gathered at the Old Greenbelt Theatre to watch Man in Red Bandana, the story of one such 9/11 hero. The showing of the documentary film was underwritten by long-time Greenbelt resident and activist Robert Goldberg-Strassler.

The film is just one of several projects that Goldberg-Strassler has initiated under the umbrella of RUAK, an acronym for Random Unselfish Acts of Kindness. According to Goldberg-Strassler, "RUAK is a grassroots movement in Greenbelt and beyond to create positive, transformational experiences through kindness."

The film chronicles the life of Welles Crowther, from his childhood days until his tragic death. At an early age, he had a strong interest in being a firefighter, hoping to follow in the footsteps of his father and grandfather. His father even gave him a red bandana like the ones he and his father had worn when they were firefighters. As he grew older, Crowther became a person that always looked out for the underdog, constantly encouraging friends and teammates to find another gear and overcome their fears or perceived inadequacies.

After graduating from college, Crowther went to work at a Wall Street firm whose offices were located in one of the Twin Towers. When the attack on the buildings occurred, Crowther did his best to calm his family and his colleagues. He was able to find a way out of the building and to safety. Instead of thinking of himself, Crowther heroically re-entered his office building. To protect himself from the smoke and fumes from the burning buildings, Crowther wore a red



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Red bandanas distributed by RUAK urge recipients to "Help Others." Displaying theirs below are Kathy Labukas, Janet Berard and Susan DePlatchett.



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bandana like the one he had since early childhood. He rescued at least 10 people, who without question would have died if not for his efforts. He didn't know the people he rescued, and they didn't know him. In fact, they referred to him as "the man with the red bandana." Tragically, after making several rescues, Crowther did not emerge from the collapsing tower. He had gone to the aid of others without thought or regard for his own safety, and it cost him his life.

Shortly before he died, Crowther told his father that he was going to forego the high salary and lifestyle of Wall Street and pursue a career as a firefighter. Crowther explained that he was more interested in a career that helps people and gives them hope. In going through

Crowther's personal belongings, his family found his application to the New York Fire Department. He was never able to fulfill that dream.

Crowther's parents were inspired by their son's actions. They became very involved in the movement to educate school children about 9/11 and to spread the message that their son had unknowingly created. That message was simple – be kind to your fellow human beings. Doing so may help prevent such tragedies in the future.

As a reminder of Crowther and his message, RUAK distributed red bandanas to film viewers on their way out. They may have come in handy during the viewing, as there were several moments that fit into the tear jerker category.



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that would empower residents to choose their town’s future. A historian might trace the high level of civic involvement in Greenbelt today to New Deal era efforts to create a tight-knit community.

Our living legacy from the New Deal includes consumer co-ops, GHI with its many volunteer committees, the News Review, citizen advisory boards and town residents willing to create ad-hoc groups whenever enough people get concerned about the direction the town is taking. Does the council’s proposed list of business-development goals reflect the priorities of these stakeholders?

City council’s proposed policy is worth our attention because it will have significant impact on our town’s future. The plan is to hire an economic coordinator to implement these construction and business-development goals in Old Greenbelt and elsewhere in town. It is cause for alarm that the draft job description for this economic coordinator does not include a requirement that the candidate have a good working knowledge of the land-use and citizen-participation patterns that have animated Greenbelt since the town’s founding in 1937.

Because the city’s website is under construction this week, Greenbelt residents have been thwarted in their efforts to read the current draft of the policy and the documents and process leading up to it. With information flow limited primarily to word-of-mouth and a few Facebook posts, it is difficult for residents to fully consider the draft policy, let alone for public opinion to influence its contents.

Let’s encourage vibrant discourse, so that Greenbelt’s community and economic development maximizes all that makes Greenbelt a living legacy, a place so many of us are proud to call home.

Concerned and Engaged Citizens who live/work/play in Greenbelt

Aileen Kroll, Rhonda Neuhaus, Beth Leamond, Joanie Cohen-Mitchell, John Campanile, Susan Barnett, Michael Hartman, Lore Rosenthal, Regina Bellina, Robert Iacovazzi, Jr., Angeline Butler, Paul Downs and Owen Kelley

Social Justice In Greenbelt

I’m living in New Carrollton now, but not long ago you may have met me while I was delivering the Greenbelt News Review, volunteering for the GIVES program, leading a Reel & Meal discussion, serving on the Parks & Recreation advisory committee, or collecting your donated goods for Africa.

My wife and I loved our life in Sierra Leone, but we left when her brother’s family began living in West Greenbelt and made it possible for our future children to get a much better start in life than they could have in our war-torn homeland.

Once in Greenbelt, we started to collect clothes and other goods desperately needed by the victims of Sierra Leone’s blood diamonds wars and then its Ebola epidemic. At the Schrom Hills fall fest in 2012, I made friends with members of the Prince George’s County Peace & Justice Coali-

tion. With PGJJC, Reel & Meal and MakerSpace participants, we collected carloads of donated items and also cash to pay for shipping to Sierra Leone.

I will never forget the loving generosity of many folks living in and near Greenbelt towards the long-suffering people of my homeland. The cramped basement apartment in our relatives’ home near Hanover Parkway was soon so full of donated goods that it was hard to walk around.

Now comes why we sadly had to leave Greenbelt. Although my wife and I had both earned diplomas at one of Sierra Leone’s best high schools, many potential employers here insisted on a U.S. diploma or GED certificate. And although I was quite experienced as an automobile mechanic, my English pronunciation (African accent) also blocked me from solid employment. We each earned \$8 to \$12 an hour in part-time jobs.

The City of Greenbelt offered classes in both GED and English conversation, but only on days and times difficult for workers unable to get away from work. We needed more space when we were blessed with two beautiful children, but Greenbelt’s relatively high rents forced us to move to Lanham and then New Carrollton.

Why am I telling News Review readers about my family’s story? Simply because I feel that the draft Development Goals largely ignore families like ours and thus would likely continue a pattern that, despite their working hard, obeying the law, and contributing abundantly to church and other social activities, leaves many residents of East and West Greenbelt feeling like second-class citizens.

My family would love to be your Greenbelt neighbors again, but this unique city often seems to forget about the needs and hopes of many families outside central Greenbelt, making it hard for them to make ends meet. Like many other Greenbelters, we’re committed to our faith and regularly volunteer at church. But we’re also among the 20 percent of Greenbelt residents who don’t speak English at home, the 30 percent who are foreign-born, the 55 percent who rent their homes, the 70 percent who are “people of color,” and the 80-90 percent who have seen little benefit from voting in local elections.

While the proposed Development Goals show concern for Greenbelt’s businesses, homeowners, and green space, they pay little or no attention to jobs, rent, health, education, or safety, even though these items are prominent in Greenbelt’s Community Pledge. I believe all of Greenbelt will benefit when its relatively prosperous, homeowning, European-American minority displays greater appreciation of the city’s diverse population.

When all Greenbelt encourages and supports struggling families like ours, we’ll pay more income taxes, our skills will attract more business investment, fewer of our students will drop out of school, and quite likely fewer of our youth will turn to gangs, fewer of our adults to addictions.

I was so concerned about these issues that I prepared this letter with Ed Fallon (whom I met at the Schrom Hills festi-

val 6 years ago and who edited my English for this letter) and distributed a flyer to about 100 African-born Greenbelters calling for more attention by Greenbelt’s upper 25 percent to Greenbelt’s demographic majorities.

So dear fellow Greenbelters-in-spirit, please read again our city’s Community Pledge – and take its statements seriously as you work to make our Development Goals more just and inclusive.

If you’d like to learn more and consider joining our efforts for more social justice in Greenbelt, please contact either me at TurayAbdul64@yahoo.com or Ed at EdFallon@gmail.com.

Abdul Turay

Friends of the Park Group Forming

Are you a fan of green space? Want to help Greenbelt Park thrive? Join other park lovers and get involved forming a Friends group.

A group of citizens and volunteers is working on setting up a nonprofit organization to help support Greenbelt Park called Friends of Greenbelt National Park. For now it is just a Facebook page to kickstart the effort.

We are looking for a local attorney, law firm or local folks with some experience dealing with nonprofit organizations to take the lead in getting the group formed. We are here to help with a website and social media pages, posts, photos and stories.

The idea is much like other non-profit organizations in national and state parks around the country, including the one at Patapsco River Valley State Park, where volunteer campground hosts sell firewood and ice and the proceeds benefit the park with needed tools and such.

Until it is legally formed and the necessary paperwork is done and approved, there is no official affiliation yet with the National Park Service or Greenbelt Park. Once a group is formed and a Friends Group Agreement is in place, the park can include a link on its website and Facebook page so we can cross-promote events.

If you have an interest in such a group and want to learn more and perhaps get involved, check out the Facebook page and get in touch: facebook.com/friendsofgreenbeltpark/Md.

Douglas A. Mangum and Glynn Wilson
Current camp host volunteers at Greenbelt Park

Driving Reminders

As folks and families return to Greenbelt after their July and August vacations, we are experiencing our annual uptick in traffic after a quiet summer. This is a note to all drivers in Greenbelt.

The stop sign means stop! It doesn’t mean to roll through the stop sign and shoot ahead of the car at the perpendicular stop sign because you think your time is more valuable than his or hers.

The speed limit is not a suggestion. It is the maximum allowable speed.

Finally, if someone is stopping at a stop sign, or driving at the posted speed limit and you’re upset because you had a bad day, don’t ride their bumper as if you’re trying to punish

them. Tailgating is aggressive and dangerous, and our society is already frighteningly uncivil. Take a breath and remember that we are society.

Craig Charron

Driver Awareness

Drivers, stay alert for animals crossing on Crescent Road between Northway and Kenilworth Avenue. So far this week I have seen a fox, two large bucks and two smaller deer crossing the road.

Kathryn Beard

From the Pantry

The Greenbelt Pantry is a source of comfort for the needy of Greenbelt. This week we received a donation of over \$500 in food from the Prince George’s

County Alumna Chapter of the Delta Sigma Theta Society, Inc. of Capital Heights, Md. This is a yearly donation to the “Feed the Hungry” task force.

We thank Ellen Hanyok for large donations of beauty and hygiene items. We appreciate donations of time from Mary Moien, Cathy Brannan and Sweet Sue of the Golden Age Club. We thank our good friend Edward Putens, ever mindful of our needs, for his large, generous cash donation.

You are the Pantry!
Solange Hess, Chair



A Great Blue Heron - up high - looks low for lunch at the Lake.

Overeaters Anonymous Helps Greenbelters Control Food

Some people are able to eat normally the majority of the time and allow themselves to overindulge on special occasions or when the mood strikes. That’s great for those able to do so. Many people, however, find it hard to admit that their relationship with food is not so relaxed.

Unfortunately, many people lose the power to be able to choose what and when they eat. This problem can manifest itself in many ways. Some consistently overeat, eating more than they want or need even when they don’t really want to. Others eat too much of the wrong thing. Others decide the solution is to not eat at all and restrict their intake by becoming anorexic or bulimic.

If eating habits are causing concern or problems, there is hope. Science indicates that both the compulsion to eat too much and obsession with food is a disease like alcoholism.

For over 50 years, people who have problems with food have found help through a program called Overeaters Anonymous (OA). Patterned after Alcoholics Anonymous, OA offers a community of support for people who think they may have a problem with food. The same 12-Step model that has restored many alcoholics to healthy living, works

for people struggling with food addictions or problems. As a result of the OA fellowship, there are many people who are maintaining significant weight loss and others who have stayed at the same healthy weight for years.

There are no dues or fees to participate in OA and no prescribed diet to follow. There are over 40 OA meetings throughout the Washington region. Conveniently, there is a meeting that is held in Greenbelt every Monday night at 7:30 p.m. at the Greenbelt Baptist Church, 101 Greenhill Road (at the corner of Greenhill Road and Crescent).

The Greenbelt OA meeting is hosting a special Newcomers Welcome and Orientation this coming Monday, September 24 at 7 p.m. (OA meetings are often held in churches, but are not affiliated with any church or institution.)

Those struggling with problems with food, are welcome to join the Newcomers event or any Monday night meetings.

For more information about this local meeting or the Overeaters Anonymous program, call 202-362-8571 or 240-305-3433 or go to oa-dcmetro.org.

Submitted by: Public Information Committee, Greenbelt Meeting, Overeaters Anonymous.

Police Blotter

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department, www.greenbeltmd.gov/police
Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

Theft

September 4, 12 a.m., 8000 block Lakecrest Drive. A package was taken from the front stoop of a residence.

September 5, 10 a.m., 100 block Westway. A package was taken from the front stoop of a residence.

September 6, 4:05 p.m., 200 block Lakeside Drive. A laptop was taken from a residence.

September 9, 3:30 p.m., 7700 block Hanover Parkway. A man using social media agreed to purchase a cell phone and arranged to meet the seller to complete the transaction. The buyer gave the seller the money and then asked to see the phone to check something. After he got it, he fled with both the cell phone and the money. He is described as being black, 5 feet 7 inches tall with curly hair and a nose ring, wearing a green jacket with a NASA logo on it.

September 11, 9 p.m., 5500 block Cherrywood Lane. A man entered Chipotle and placed a food order. When it was time to pay, he grabbed the nearby tip jar and fled with it and the food.

September 12, 8:30 a.m., 8100 block Miner Street. Building materials were taken from a construction site.

Burglary

September 7, 4 p.m., 7400 block Frankfort Place. A laptop computer, a computer monitor and a silver Cannondale bicycle were taken from a residence after entry was gained by forcing open a rear basement window.

Vandalism

September 10, 6:30 p.m., 6600 block Lake Park Drive. A rock was thrown through the window of a residence.

Vehicle Crime

Two 2016 Yamaha R3 motorcycles were taken from the 5800 block Cherrywood Lane. One was red and white, with Md. tag 329Y214, and the other gray, with Md. tag 307Y65.

Two stolen vehicles were recovered. A 1994 Honda Accord reported stolen August 23 from the 6900 block Hanover Parkway was recovered September 12 by Anne Arundel County police at an undisclosed location. A 2007 Honda Odyssey reported stolen September 5 from the 9200 block Edmonston Road was recovered September 12 by D.C. Metropolitan police in the area of 27th Street and Texas Avenue, S.E.

Three thefts from vehicles were reported, two after windows were broken out to gain access. In the 6900 block Hanover Parkway a wallet and cell phone were taken and in the 7500 block Hanover Parkway a backpack was removed. Rear tag, Md. 9DC1831, was taken from the 8000 block Mandan Road.

Vandalism was noted in the 6200 block Springhill Court, where the body of a vehicle was damaged.

Greenbelt Police Offer Whistles for Walkers

After the recent attack on a lake path walker, the Greenbelt Police Department is offering whistles for anyone interested in having deterrence at the ready while walking or running on the Buddy Attick Park paths. While the supply lasts, all are invited to pick up a whistle at the communications office at the department.

“These whistles have a distinct sound and will definitely draw attention,” said George Mathews, public information liaison. “This should deter anyone intending harm. The goal is to help people feel more comfortable and confident while enjoying our city.”

Response to this offer from the several residents who have already picked up a whistle has been positive and appreciative. All are encouraged to act promptly, as the supply of free whistles is limited.

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The sidewalk at Roosevelt Center in front of the Old Greenbelt Theatre is replaced on Tuesday, September 11.

Multi-sport Sandlot Hitter Plays Hard for Senior Gold

by William Pitts

Greenbelt resident James Harbaugh has been all over and done just about everything. He’s held part-time jobs with Pepco and the Federal Highway Administration, and owned a delicatessen in Seabrook, Md. Later, he started Production Car Care, a Stockton, California-based manufacturer of auto restoration products, which he ran from 1985 to 2005. Even in retirement, he works one day a week for Enterprise Rent-A-Car, driving the vehicles from point to point.

On some weekends, however, you’ll see him competing for Olympic gold.

Harbaugh, age 82, is one of dozens in the D.C. area taking part in the 39th annual Maryland Senior Olympics, a multi-sport competition for Maryland citizens 50 and over. Starting in 1980 as a one-day event, the Maryland Senior Games has since expanded to feature 23 sports in venues all over the state, with competitors split into several age groups. The games themselves range from standard American fare such as basketball and golf, to the recent phenomenon of pickleball, a sport that combines elements of badminton, tennis and ping-pong.

Since 2009, he has been a fixture at the event, medaling in billiards, horseshoes and tennis. Twice – 2013 in Cleveland, Ohio,



James Harbaugh holds a photo of himself celebrating his win in the billiards competition last May.

and 2017 in Birmingham, Alabama – he moved on to compete at a higher level, taking part in the National Senior Games.

Harbaugh has already achieved honors at the 2018 Maryland Senior Games by placing first in the 80-84 age group in the billiards competition, held May 17 at Margaret Schweinhaut Senior Center in Silver Spring. In other events, he has found less success, bowing out of the pickleball tournament after winning one out of three matches, while finishing as an “also-ran” – as he described

it – in horseshoes.

Keeping an active lifestyle has been important to Harbaugh since his teenage days as a sandlot league baseball player.

“I played until I was in my early 40s. Wasn’t much of a hitter, though . . . only hit three home runs my whole life, and I still remember those,” he said. “I was never inclined to go much past amateur ranks.”

Still, he says, it’s all been worth it for the friends he’s gained along the way. One such friend is Sam Eells, his doubles partner at the 2013 National Senior Games in Cleveland. Together, they made it all the way to the semifinals in the 75 to 79 age group, winning two matches in the tournament.

“[He] came from Ohio to play in the Maryland Senior Olympics, we hooked up . . . I then met him again in Ohio later that year for the Nationals,” said Harbaugh. “I haven’t seen him since.”

There is one more event on Harbaugh’s calendar for the year. The tennis competition at the Maryland games, originally scheduled for September 13 to 15 but postponed due to inclement weather, has been moved back to September 27 to 29. There, he will participate in both the singles and doubles events.

Baskets and Rebounds Keep Angels / Council Game Close

by René Sewell-Rayson

The rain seemed unending, but it could not dampen the enthusiastic crowd that gathered at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center for the third meeting between the city council/city employees basketball team and the Greenbelt Lady Angels, a semi-professional womens basketball team who practice at the rec center.

The two teams warmed up, each sizing up the competition as they recovered their own rebounds.

The most identifiable members of the city team were Mayor Emmett Jordan and Councilmember Colin Byrd.

Officer Bryan Fink, PFC Konetta Brown and MPO Irelisse Fernandez rounded out the team.

City councilmembers – Judith Davis, Leta Mach and Edward Putens – were spotted in the bleachers cheering their fellow policymakers as they took on the Lady Angels. Uniformed police officers good-naturedly urged their city worker colleagues to bring the heat to the Angels.

Reverend Greg Carter, a vocal Angels partisan, sat behind the city team’s bench and offered robust commentary on city council play. He was one of the founding visionaries of the Lady Angels and the Ladies Night program at the rec center.

Jordan greeted the partisan crowd and urged them to enjoy the game.



City staff and Lady Angels played a close but friendly game.

The 15-minute halves gave teams little time to delay their strategy. The first basket went to the Lady Angels and it looked like it was going to be a walk-over for the Angels as their swooshes went unanswered.

Delayed is not denied. The city team began to find their rhythm. Cross court passes, in-your-face defense kept the fans on the edge of their seats.

At half-time Lady Angels Captain Jeaneen White plotted strategy with her teammates, a newly formed Lady Angels team.

The game was touch and go until the final buzzer when Brown’s basket sent the game into overtime. The four-minute overtime saw the score seesaw until the final buzzer when the

city team prevailed 39 to 38.

Scorekeeping was handled by Bill Agbodjobe, a student at Eleanor Roosevelt High School, and Jordan Robinson. After the game, Robinson observed, “It was cool seeing the mayor in my neighborhood.”

Herb Allen, coach of the Lady Angels, gave kudos to the city team. “It was a great victory. This was a good community event and we thank the City of Greenbelt Recreation Department for the space and the donors who provided food and raffle prizes.”

Some of the veteran and international winners from former Lady Angels’ teams are already asking for a rematch next year. Stay tuned.

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Sports

Eleanor Roosevelt High School Girls Soccer Teams Prevail

by Patrick Gleason



PHOTO BY NICOLE BALAY

The ERHS Girls soccer team celebrates after their win against the Bowie Bulldogs.

The mistake of the day for the home team came in the pre-game huddle when goalkeeper Angie Oludayo started the wrong pre-game cheer. But after that, the junior varsity Eleanor Roosevelt girls soccer team led an offensive onslaught against the visiting Bowie Bulldogs last Thursday. Led by freshmen forward Amber Fitch’s hat trick, the Raiders spaced out their goals en route to an 8-0 shutout of their archrival. Freshmen goalkeeper Isabela Martins and sophomore Oludayo were rarely tested in goal, only needing to make one save. Sophomore Amari Muhammad continually flew through Bowie’s backline, adding two goals and, most impressively, her assist to Ernestina Atta-Safoh, who one-touched the pass into side-netting to end the first half. Midfielder Chinedum Chike provided herself a birthday present one day early with her first goal of the season in the second half while the Raiders defense remained formidable, guided by newcomers Man Lun and Nidhiksha Raganathan and returning starter Leah Booker. They ensured the most important number on the

scoreboard was the Bowie 0, a satisfying result for a team that graduated seven players to the varsity squad a year ago.

Varsity

In the varsity game that followed, the Raiders continued the junior varsity’s momentum with a beautiful early goal that barely slipped under the crossbar, from junior Madison Endres. The Raiders threatened throughout the evening with many near misses from forwards Zosia Nicholson and Aliza Khan; however, it was senior captain Mykenna Maniece who added the second goal, though it lacked the aesthetic quality of Endres’ tally. Maniece tapped in a rebound while falling over the Bowie goalkeeper to solidify the 2-0 victory. Junior goalkeeper Stephanie Ijomor, who suffered an injury earlier in the week in an 8-0 triumph over Laurel, made a save on a header from a Bowie corner kick but was not threatened with much else as the Raiders controlled

most of the game’s possession time. The Raiders next test will be September 26 at 3:30 when they visit the High Point Eagles in Beltsville.

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for more
sports coverage



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Refuse/Recycling/Sustainability/Environmental crews hosted and assisted with the Prince Georges County Watershed Stewards Academy class. Staff wrote letters to the four District 22 representatives to encourage them to sign the letter from Greenbelt’s Climate Action Network on no new fossil fuels. Crews collected 30.34 tons of refuse and 11.60 tons of recyclable material.

Facilities Maintenance crew repaired an underground electric pipe damaged by Pepco in Roosevelt Center.

Arts staff are preparing for a special Artful Afternoon on Sunday, October 7, celebrating the 80th anniversary of the first weekly art classes at the Community Center, which were provided through the Federal Arts Project.

Thursday Bird Walks At Lake Artemesia

On the first and third Thursdays of every month, at 3 p.m., an experienced birder will lead bird walks around the shores of Lake Artemesia. Find many species of birds by sight and song. No experience necessary, all skill levels are welcome. Binoculars recommended. No reservations required.

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Retro Town Fair 2018 Wrap-up

by Sheila Maffay-Tuthill

Another Greenbelt Museum Retro Town Fair (RTF) has come and gone, a last spark and celebration of summer. It was a chance to say farewell to the lazy days and gardening we love so much.

It began as homage to the traditional town fairs of very early Greenbelt. Those early Greenbelters wanted to have a venue to show off the fruits of their energetic gardening, in the style of a county fair. The first town fair was held in 1939 and was a great success. WWII interrupted the tradition, and eventually it fell off of the event calendar.

In 2012, as part of the city's 75th Anniversary Labor Day weekend, the town fair was revived as Retro Town Fair. It was an instant hit, and this year was the seventh RTF. Greenbelters enter this feel-good, community-building event and win ribbons for their cakes and pies, cookies and biscuits, needlework, canned goods, flowers and fruits and vegetables. It is a relaxed and low-key affair. Winners tell us that they often get so much love and attention from their family and from the community that they cannot stop smiling. Food Historian Elliot Merker was a baked goods judge this year, adding a bit of extra expertise to the judging panel and resulting in a record number of purple Grand Champion ribbons for baking.

A new feature this year was the Legacy Exhibition. This was a way to allow folks to share their family collections and heirloom pieces and it was a truly delightful aspect of RTF 2018. A very touching story accompanied a handknit sweater that was on display in the Legacy exhibit. The entrant explained that this sweater was handmade by her mother for a beloved family member that was undergoing chemotherapy. Now the current owner of the sweater says she feels "wrapped in warmth and love" when she puts the sweater on. Bonnie Shields entered a beautifully embroidered baby sack that she brought her newborn home in from the hospital in 1971.

Sandra and David Lange shared exquisite lace pieces from David's family that are over a century old. The Legacy exhibition will be back next year, so please be thinking about what treasures you may like to share.

The Greenbelt Museum would like to thank everyone who was involved with Retro Town Fair 2018: entrants, exhibitors, judges, visitors and admirers. We will do it all again next year. See you at the fair.



PHOTO BY ERIC ZHANG

Lori Dominick's black tea and cardamom cookies won a purple grand champion ribbon at the Retro Town Fair.



PHOTO BY ERIC ZHANG

Donna Peterson's Mary Todd Lincoln's white cake won a purple grand champion ribbon.



PHOTO BY HELEN SYDAVAR

Needlework entries in the Retro Town Fair

Jim Cassels Community Service Award: Apply Now

by Leta Mach

At its annual meeting this November, the Greenbelt Consumer Cooperative will give an organization or group \$1,200 to carry out a project that will positively impact the people of Greenbelt. The grant comes from the Jim Cassels Community Service Award, which honors the legacy of Jim Cassels, Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen of 1978 and organizer of the Co-op in 1984.

Organizations, cooperatives and local groups are encouraged to think of a project to implement in the next year that will benefit Greenbelt and then apply for the \$1,200 award by the deadline of October 15.

Since its creation in 2006, the award has funded a variety of projects that are fitting tributes to the memory of Jim Cassels and his legacy of community involvement. Past awardees have undertaken a wide range of activities.

The most recent award was given to Eleanor Roosevelt High School for their Music and Art Festival. The free festival was held in Roosevelt Center on April 21 and featured music and theater students, along with a student art show at the New Deal Café. The festival highlighted the way ERHS music, art and drama departments work together with the wider community to make the arts a part of everyday life to enhance and enrich the educational experience.

The previous year's award, in 2016, went to the Greenbelt Zero Waste Circle, a collaborative effort between Green Team volunteers and Public Works staff members. They received the award for their upcycling plans to create a permanent collection site near the recycling containers at the Buddy Attick Park for items that can be upcycled and used to make other items.

WAGS (Well-wishers of the Animals of the Greenbelt Shelter) used its 2015 grant to conduct animal safety workshops to help children and their parents identify a dog or cat's stress signals, to understand how to approach unfamiliar animals and to know what to do if approached by an unfamiliar dog off leash.

The recipient of the 2018 Jim Cassels Community Service award will be announced at the Co-op's annual meeting in November.

Applications are available at the Co-op main office or online at emailmeform.com/builder/form/3Jcw0A02xkNo

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The Well-wishers for the Animals of the Greenbelt Shelter (WAGS) hold a workshop at Schrom Hills Park in 2016, funded by the Jim Cassels Community Service Awards.



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